Central Government have committed themselves and are anxious to introduce total prohibition but we have got a policy of phased programme in view of the fact that we need money for the implementation of the Second Five-Year Plan.

Sri G. VENKATAI GOWDA.—In how many taluks in each district you are going to introduce prohibition ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—This question does not give scope for a question of a general nature. This is only in respect of Hassan District. If you want to know when total prohibition is going to be introduced in Hassan District you can put a supplementary.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—May I know the difficulty that confronts the Government in introducing prohibition throughout the Hassan District ? You are introducing prohibition piecemeal giving false promise on the floor of the House.

Sri N. RACHIAH.—I do not accept the statement that Government are giving false promises. Government wanted to introduce total prohibition in Hassan District but the State Government had received a representation from Bombay Government that as they were introducing total prohibition in their areas we should co-operate with them and just to co-operate with the Bombay Government we took a bold decision to introduce prohibition in Bidar District from the next official year. And in view of the assurance given on the floor of the Legislative Council during the last session with regard to introducing total prohibition on a phased programme—and Hassan District was in the view of Government,—one taluk in Hassan District has been taken up. So it is not a false promise. Government have every hope to introduce total prohibition with all courage and conviction.

Sri C. M. ARUMUGHAM.—The Minister was pleased to say that in view of the implementation of the Second Five-Year Plan Government was not able to introduce total prohibition. In view of the shortage of funds, will the Government think of scrapping the idea of total prohibition ?

Sri N. RACHIAH.—That question does not arise. The policy of Government is to pursue it.

Sri G. N. PUTTANNA.—Will the Minister be pleased to state how long it will take to pass orders of Government in regard to prohibition in Hassan District ?

Sri N. RACHIAH.—That will be examined and considered.

Sri G. N. PUTTANNA.—That is not a reply to my question. With regard to Hassan District I am asking how long will the Government take to consider ?

Sri N. RACHIAH.--For the next financial year Government have already announced their policy. With regard to the phased programme for introducing total prohibition in Hassan District or in any wet area, Government will take a decision by the next Budget session.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—Will the Government give us information whether they have already finalised the phased programme or whether the phased programme is yet to be evolved ?

Sri N. RACHIAH.—The phased programme will be announced by the next Budget Session.

Amount collected towards Cess on Coconut and Copra by Tiptur Municipality.

*Q.—9. Sri K. P. REVANNA SIDDAPPA (Tiptur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

the amount collected annually by the Tiptur Municipality towards cess on cocoanut and copra during the last three years ?

A.—Sri T. SUBRAMANYA (Minister for Law, Labour and Local Government).—

No cess is collected.

However, the Municipality is levying octroi on cocoanuts and copra at the rate of 0-0-3 pies per maund of copra and 0-0-6 pies per 100 cocoanuts.

(SRI T. SUBRAMANYA)

The collection of octroi for the last three years is as follows:—

	Year	*Copra*	*Cocoanut*
(1)	1955-56	14,162.32	2,118.72
(2)	1956-57	17,075.65	1,936.76
(3)	1957-58	16,706,46	1,877.07

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಪಿ. ರೇವಣ್ಣಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ.—ಕಳೆದ ಮೂರು ವರ್ಷಗಳಿಂದ ಸುಮಾರು 21, 19, 18 ಸಾವಿರ ರೂಪಾಯಿಗಳಗಟ್ಟಲೆ ತೆಂಗಿನಕಾಯಿ ಮತ್ತು ಕೊಬ್ಬರಿಯ ಮೇಲೆ ಸುಂಕವನ್ನು ನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಯವರು ವಸೂಲುಮಾಡಿರುತ್ತಾರೆಂದು ಉತ್ತರದಲ್ಲಿ ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೀರಿ. ಇದರಿಂದ ರೈತರಿಗೇನಾದರೂ ಅನುಕೂಲವನ್ನು ನಗರಪಾಲಿಕೆಯವರು ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆಯೇ ?

†ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಸುಬ್ರಹ್ಮಣ್ಯ.—ಎಲ್ಲ ಅನುಕೂಲಗಳನ್ನು ಎಂದರೆ, ರಸ್ತೆ, ನೀರು, ದೀಪ, ಮುಂತಾದ ಸೌಕರ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಪಿ. ರೇವಣ್ಣಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ.—ವ್ಯವಸಾಯದ ಉತ್ಪನ್ನದ ಮೇಲೆ ಇಷ್ಟೊಂದು ಸುಂಕಹಾಕಿ ಯಾವುದರಿಂದ ಸುಂಕವನ್ನು ವಸೂಲುಮಾಡುತ್ತೀನೋ ಅದಕ್ಕೇ ಖರ್ಚುಮಾಡುವುದು ಉತ್ತಮವಲ್ಲವೆಂದು ಭಾವಿಸಿದ್ದೀರಾ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಸುಬ್ರಹ್ಮಣ್ಯ.—ಮುನಿಸಿಪಾಲಿಟಿಯವರು ಆಕ್ಟ್ಪ್ರಯಿ ಹಾಕುತ್ತೇವೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿದರೆ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ಪರ್ಮಿಷ್ಷ್ ಕೊಡುತ್ತಾರೆ.

Sri M. RAMAPPA.—May I know the exact provision under which octroi is levied ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—Please refer to the Municipal Act.

Sri M. RAMAPPA.—I have put that question specifically. Is the Hon'ble Minister personally examining the question that this levy is legal ?

Sri T. SUBRAMANYA.—I have not examined it but the Government have examined it at the time of the imposition

Sri M. RAMAPPA.—May I bring to the notice of the Hon'ble Minister that it is an illegal levy and request him to examine it ?

Sri T. SUBRAMANYA.—It has been examined and found to be legal.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಜಿ. ನರಸಿಂಹೇಗೌಡ.—ತಿಪಟೂರು ಮುನಿಸಿಪಾಲಿಟಿಯವರು ತೆಂಗಿನಕಾಯಿ ಮತ್ತು ಕೊಬ್ಬರಿಗಳ ಮೇಲೆ ಸುಂಕ ಹಾಕಿದ್ದು ಕಾನೂನಿನಿಗೆ ವಿರೋಧವೆಂಬುದಾಗಿ ವಾದವಿವಾದಿದ್ದರೂ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಆ ವಿಷಯವನ್ನು ಇನ್ನೂ ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ಮಾಡಿಸೆಯೇ ಇರಲು ಕಾರಣವೇನು ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಸುಬ್ರಹ್ಮಣ್ಯ.—ಎಲ್ಲರಿಗೂ ಅದರಲ್ಲಿ ಒಂದು ಪ್ರಿಜುಮ್ಷ್ಷ್ ಇದೆ. ಆರೀತಿ ಮನವಿ ಬಂದಮ್ಲಿ ನಿಜ. ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆಮಾಡಿದ್ದೂ ಆಯಿತು. ಅದು ಸಾಧುವಾಗಿದೆಯೆಂದು ತೀರ್ಮಾನ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೇವೆ.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Government is not concerned with that.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಜಿ. ನರಸಿಂಹೇಗೌಡ.—ವ ಎನಿಸಿಪಾಲಿಟಿಯವರು ಲಕ್ಷಾಂತರ ರೂಪಾಯಿಗಳನ್ನು ಆ ಮೂಲಕ ತೆರಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಸೆನ್ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡರೂ ರೇಟ್ ಪೇಯರ್ಸಿಗೆ ಯಾವತರಹ ಸಹಾಯವನ್ನೂ ಮಾಡಲಿಲ್ಲ ವೆಂಬುದು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಸುಬ್ರಹ್ಮಣ್ಯ.—ಬೇಕಾದಷ್ಟು ಸಹಾಯಗಳನ್ನು ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

Visit of the President of India to Melkote Town.

*Q.—15. Sri B. CHAMIAH (Pandavapura).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) when the President of India visited Melkote town in Pandavapura taluk ;

(*b*) the amount sanctioned by the Municipality towards the expenses during his visit and the purpose for which this amount was spent ;

(*c*) whether there was any misappropriation of this amount and if so the action taken by Government in the matter ?

A.—Sri T. SUBRAMANYA (Minister for Law, Labour and Local Government).—

(*a*) On 21st August, 1954.

(*b*) A sum of Rs. 674-6-9 was sanctioned by the Town Municipality, Melkote, for the expenses in connection with the visit.

(*c*) Out of this amount, a sum of Rs. 224-6-9 was misappropriated and the Deputy Commissioner, Mandya, is taking action in the matter.

Sri T. SUBRAMANYA.—The words "it is alleged" have to be added after 'was' in clause (*c*).

An HON'BLE MEMBER.—Who is the person referred to here?

Mr. SPEAKER.—I do not allow that question.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಚಾಮಯ್ಯ.—ಹಣದುರುಪಯೋಗಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆಂಬ ಆಪಾದನೆಗೆ ಗುರಿಯಾಗಿರತಕ್ಕವರ ಹುದ್ದೆಯೇನು?

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಸುಬ್ರಹ್ಮಣ್ಯ.—ಪಾಂಡವಪುರ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ ಮೇಲುಕೋಟೆ ಮುನಿಸಿಪಾಲಿಟಿಯ ಪ್ರೆಸಿಡೆಂಟ್ ಹುದ್ದೆಯಲ್ಲಿರತಕ್ಕವರು.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಚಾಮಯ್ಯ.—14ನೆಯ ನಂಬರಿನ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸೂಚಿಸಿರತಕ್ಕ ಪ್ರೆಸಿಡೆಂಟರೇನು?

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಸುಬ್ರಹ್ಮಣ್ಯ.—ಹೌದು, ಅದೇ ಮನುಷ್ಯರು.